Monthly Report

November 2023



Accreditation demonstrates the professional achievements of the men and women of this Department. This recognition further demonstrates our collective dedication to excellence in professional Law Enforcement. By voluntarily meeting New Jersey Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission standards, the North Plainfield Police Department has shown itself willing to be held to a higher level of professionalism, building trust between the Department and the citizens it serves

Prepared For: Mayor Lawrence La Ronde

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ADMINISTRATION:

Staffing:

The Police Department is operating below its authorized strength of 48 sworn Officers. Staffing and deficiencies:

- 3 Patrol Officers
- 2 SLEO III Officers

Injured Officers/Officers on Leave:

• Det. William Parenti Jr. was involved in a motor vehicle accident on November 9, 20232 and remains out of work.

Promotions, New Hires and Retirements:

• There were no promotions, new hires, or retirements this month.

CID Monthly Report

A Sample of Investigations & Arrests

On November 20, 2023 at 1525 hrs., officers responded to a residence on a report of a dispute and one of the individuals may be in possession of firearm. When the officers arrived, they learned that this dispute stemmed from a couple that were separating and the female half hired a locksmith to enter a garage. An officer observed the locksmith attempting to climb a fence into the yard and ordered him to stop and inquired about a gun. The locksmith related that he had a gun in a satchel that he wore across his chest. After the satchel was handed over to officers, a consent to search was obtained and a loaded Glock pistol and a high-capacity magazine were located. The resident of that address reported that the locksmith pointed the firearm at him and loaded a round in the chamber. The suspect was arrested and after the incident was screened, he was charged with several weapons offenses and transported to the Somerset County Jail.

On November 25, 2023 at 2120 hrs., patrol responded to bar for a man with a gun. Officers detained a suspect and through the investigation determined that the suspect had a BB gun in his possession. According to a security guard, a male patron sat down at the bar next to the suspect. At some point, the suspect pulled the BB gun out and pressed it into the ribs of the patron and said, "No one scares me." The victim then told security about what happened. A detective was dispatched and took a statement from the victim. The suspect was charged with unlawful possession of a weapon and was lodged in the Somerset County Jail.

On November 27, 2023 at 0640 hrs., patrol responded to a business on Route 22 West on a report of an activated burglar alarm coming from the front door. Upon their arrival, officers found the front glass door smashed by a rock. Officers conducted an interior check of the building for a suspect with negative results. They also found that the register area had been ransacked and many of the computer component wires were cut, laying on the floor, along with the monitors, credit card receipt machines, and the drawers for the cash insert. A detective conducted a follow-up investigation and a bulletin was put out to surrounding agencies with an image of the suspect. Subsequently, the suspect was arrested in another town committing a similar burglary and was also charged with the burglary in North Plainfield.

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CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION:

A comparison of Adult incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	85	882
Closed	36	402
Active	15	37
Suspended	34	443
Forwarded to SCPO	4	50

A comparison of Juvenile incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	10	155
Closed	8	139
Active	0	6
Suspended	2	12
Forwarded to other Agencies	0	15

Community Outreach

The Community Policing Unit made eleven (11) first time alarm notifications and six (6) general alarm notifications. D/Sgt. Domizi assisted in numerous translations for both patrol & CID. Lt. Ciempola attended the community forum meeting.

Narcotics Strike Force

The Task Force Officer made two (2) undercover gun buys in Hillsborough and one (1) undercover gun buy in Hackettstown. The Task Force Officer also conducted street crimes patrol in North Plainfield as well as surveillance.

Other Matters

CID tracked six (6) Handle with Care notifications made to the school district. CID conducted two (2) licensing investigations in November (2-Firearms). Lt. Ciempola conducted two (2) sex offender re-registrations.

Adjudications & Judicial Proceedings

There were no court appearances during the month of November.

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INTERNAL AFFAIRS: During the month of November, there were five (5) new internal affairs complaints filed.

Investigation #	Classification	Disposition	Corrective Action
23-010	Other Rule	Pending	Pending
23-011	Other Rule	Pending	Pending
23-012	BWC	Pending	Pending
23-013	Other Rule	Pending	Pending
23-014	Criminal	Pending	Pending

PATROL DIVISION:

	Month	YTD
Miles on marked patrol	15,192	165,124
Miles on unmarked patrol	0	55
Total miles on patrol	15,192	165,179

Traffic summonses issued:

Type of summonses	Month	YTD	
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	4	43	
Moving Hazardous Violation	76	840	
Moving Non-Hazardous Violation	200	1,918	
Ordinance Violation	4	50	
Parking Violation	323	11,780	
Seatbelt	5	209	
Radar	34	419	
Refusal Breath Test	1	14	
Child Restraints	4	98	
Reckless Driving	6	67	

Cell Phone	3	543
Careless Driving	13	261
Suspended License	18	220
Written Warnings	355	3,860
Totals	1,046	20,322
Included in above totals		
Loud Exhaust	28	114
Loud Exhaust Warnings	19	52

Radar Posts:

STREET	TIME SPENT		
Brook Avenue	1 Hour		
Clinton Avenue	34 Hours		
Greenbrook Road	6 Hours		
Grove Street	27 Hours		
Leland Avenue	12 Hours		
Myrtle Avenue	5 Hours		
Norwood Avenue	11 Hours		
Rt 22E/North	5 Hours		
Rt 22E/Watchung	9 Hours		
Rt 22E/West End	2 Hours		
Rt 22E/Westervelt	4 Hours		
Rt 22W/Harrison	3 Hours		
Rt 22W/North	4 Hours		
Rt 22W/Wilson	1 Hour		
Somerset Street	12 Hours		
Warfield Road	2 Hours		
Washington Avenue	2 Hours		
Watchung Avenue	12 Hours		
Wilson Avenue 4 Hours			
Total Radar Posts 169			
Total Radar Hours	156		
Total Radar Enforcement	146		

Radar Speed Recorder:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Greenbrook Road	11/01/23-11/03/23
Mountain Avenue	11/01/23-11/08/23
Washington Avenue	11/08/23-11/17/23
Watchung Avenue	11/08/23-11/17/23
Belmont Avenue	11/17/23-11/27/23
Sanford Avenue	11/17/23-11/27/23
Muriel Avenue	11/28/23-11/30/23

Warfield Road	11/28/23-11/30/23	
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School Enforcement:

SCHOOL	TIME SPENT
East End School	17 Hours
High School	16 Hours
Somerset School	4 Hours
Stonybrook School	17 Hours
Sundance School	1 Hour
West End School	23 Hours
TOTAL	68 Hours

Speed Sign:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Duer Street	11/01/23-11/09/23
Grove Street	11/01/23-11/09/23
Manning Avenue	11/01/23-11/09/23
Rockview Avenue	11/01/23-11/09/23
Grove Street	11/09/23-11/30/23
Norwood Avenue	11/09/23-11/30/23
Somerset Street	11/09/23-11/30/23
Tappan Avenue	11/09/23-11/30/23

Miscellaneous Information:

- We responded to 114 rescue squad calls.
- We conducted 88 building or premise checks.
- We investigated 32 general alarms.
- We made 635 motor vehicle stops.
- We conducted 3 walking beats.
- We conducted 58 school checks.
- We conducted 72 park checks.
- We conducted 111 area checks.
- The police department recorded a total of 3,420 incidents.
- BWC videos and CAD entries were reviewed by the Patrol Division Commander.
- 1 Use of Force After Action Review and 1 OJI After Action review was conducted.
- An Active Threat presentation for Development Day was conducted at the North Plainfield Library.

Parking Enforcement Report:

Tickets:		Title 3	9	Meter Related		Total	
		Month	/ YTD	Mon	th / YTD	Mont	h / YTD
	Totals	544	5,320	331	4,434	876	9,757

Meter	S	Permi	ts	Total Reven	ue
Monthly /	YTD 1	Monthly /	YTD	Monthly	/ YTD
17,796.01	142,322.17	1,180	23,640	18,976.01	165,962.17

Monthly Accident Totals

Accidents for the Month:	85
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Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	0	Driving While Intoxicated	0
Hazardous	19	Non-Hazardous	19
Alcohol Related	0		

Breakdown of Reportable/Non-Reportable Accidents:

Rt 22-Reportable	32	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	0
Boro Streets-Reportable	39	Boro Streets Non-Reportable	0
Private Property-Reportable	14	Private Property Non-Reportable	0
Total Reportable Accidents	85	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	0

Accident Injury Report:

Reports W/Injuries 17
Persons Injured 17
Fatal Accidents 0

Accidents Year To Date (YTD): 974

Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	4	Driving While Intoxicated	28
Hazardous	440	Non-Hazardous	213
Alcohol Related	2		

Breakdown of Reportable and Non-Reportable

Rt 22-Reportable	305	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	4
Boro Streets-Reportable	516	Boro Streets Non-Reportable	8
Private Property-Reportable	136	Private Property Non-Reportable	5
Total Reportable Accidents	957	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	17

Accident Injury Report:

Reports W/Injuries 196
Persons Injured 242
Fatal Accidents 0

Miscellaneous Information Traffic:

- Traffic conducted collections & escorted parking to the bank 8 hrs.
- Traffic conducted monthly alcotest maintenance.
- Sgt. Kardos and Parking Enforcement conducted meter repairs.
- Traffic investigated/conducted follow ups on one (1) accident.
- Traffic compiled data for a traffic engineer's study that was later voted down by the Borough Council.
- Traffic conducted loud exhaust enforcement 3 hrs.
- Traffic processed/followed up on three (3) vehicles for tow companies.
- Traffic and Parking covered two (2) crossing posts.
- Traffic submitted the Safe Routes To School (SRTS) grant.
- Traffic conducted a DMV Mobile Inspection detail on November 20th with the following results: 29 cars inspected, 15 cars passed, 14 cars failed. There were 11 summonses and 15 warnings issued.

SERVICE DIVISION:

	Month	YTD
Fees Collected	\$1,950.00	\$16,569.00
Calls for Service/Responses	3,341	41,864
Discovery Requests	31	441
Report Requests	4	117
Pieces of Evidence/Property	27	287

Offense	Month	YTD
Homicide	0	0
Rape	1	9
Robbery	0	20
Assault, Agg:	1	16
Assault Simple	14	213
Burglary	1	30
Larceny	20	293
M.V. Theft	5	26
Arson	0	0
Domestic Violence	22	299
Bias Incidents	0	3

Monthly Arrest Analysis	Month		YTD	
	Adult	/Juv	Adult/Juv	
Murder	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	2	0
Robbery	0	0	2	0
Aggravated Assault	1	0	12	0
Burglary	0	0	2	0
Larceny/Theft	1,000	0	8	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0
Simple Assault	7	0	72	0
Arson	0	0	0	0
Forgery	0	0	0	0
Fraud	1_{ϵ}	0	5	0
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0
Stolen Property	0	0	1	0
Criminal Mischief	0	0	2	0
Weapons	1	0	4	0
Prostitution	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0
Violation of Drug Laws	3	0	6	0
Gambling	0	0	0	0
Offenses Against Family & Children	0	0	0	0
Driving Under the Influence	4	0	45	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	0	0	5	0
Vagrancy	0	0	0	0
Curfew and Loitering	0	0	0	0
All Other Offenses	3	0	38	1
Total UCR Arrests for Month	21	0	204	1
Contempt of Court Arrests Other	5	0	49	2
Grand Total Arrests for Month	26	0	253	3

• 0 Juvenile Arrests for the Month

Respectfully submitted,

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